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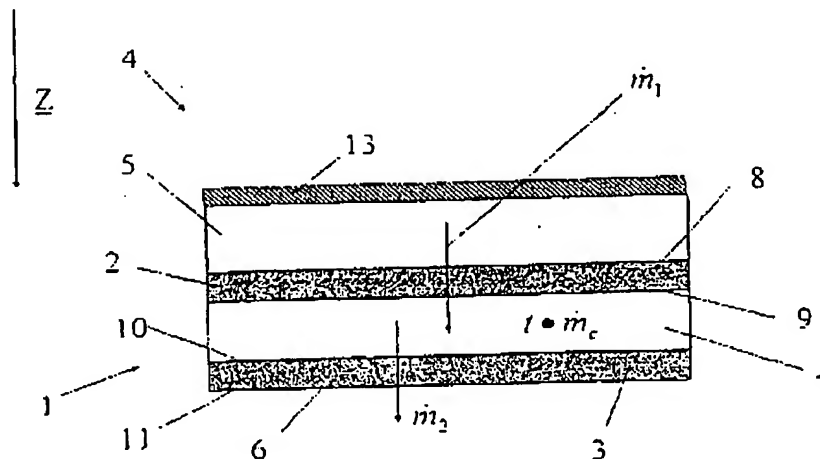
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(57) Abstract: The invention refers to a breathable backsheet (1) comprising a water vapour permeable first layer (2) and a water vapour permeable second layer (3) for an absorbent article (4), where the backsheet (1) is water vapour permeable in a Z-direction. The invention is characterised in that the backsheet (1) comprises a condensation zone (7) between the two layers (2, 3). The first layer (2) is adapted to allow a first amount  $m_1$  of mass flow water vapour to pass the first layer (2) in the Z-direction, wherein the second layer (3) is adapted to allow a second amount  $m_2$  of mass flow water vapour to pass the second layer (3) in the Z-direction. The condensation zone (7) is adapted to temporarily condense and store an amount  $1 = m_1 + m_2$  of water vapour such that no formation of condensed or water vapour will occur on the outside (6, 11) of the backsheet (1).